

## EXECUTIVE ORDER 94-4

(Supersedes Executive Order 90-5)

### ARIZONA BASEBALL COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona has initiated efforts to increase opportunities for professional baseball through the success of the Governor's Special Task Force on Cactus League Baseball, the Japanese Baseball Committee, and several local and regional sports organizations; and

WHEREAS, tremendous strides have been made to strengthen Cactus League Baseball with significant support of the teams, booster groups, city officials, stadium owners and operators, and the business community, and realizing that additional effort is necessary to ensure with confidence that spring training will be a major component of the Arizona professional sports scene through the 1990's; and

WHEREAS, the initial overtures to encourage additional Japanese Baseball teams to train in Arizona have been extremely well received by both the teams and our local communities, but complete success is a long-term process that requires continued attention and extended formal communications and activities; and

WHEREAS, Arizona has been identified as one of the most attractive locations for a Major League Baseball team when an expansion decision is made, and with effort to resolve stadium issues, determine public and private involvement, and develop a community-based strategy for preparing for expansion yet to be solidified,

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Fife Symington, Governor of the State of Arizona, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of this State, hereby establish the Arizona Baseball Commission and order and direct:

1) The Commission shall:

Provide support and assistance to local and regional groups so as to develop and implement a public consensus and action plan to prepare Arizona as a site for a Major League Baseball expansion team and further assist in these efforts to acquire the rights to said Major League expansion franchise.

Work closely with individual teams, booster groups, public officials, stadium owners and operators, tourism and economic development agencies, the business community, and the general public to follow up on the economic, promotion and facility needs of the Cactus League and Japanese teams.

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The Commission consisting of no more than 40 members shall be appointed by and serve without compensation at the pleasure of the Governor

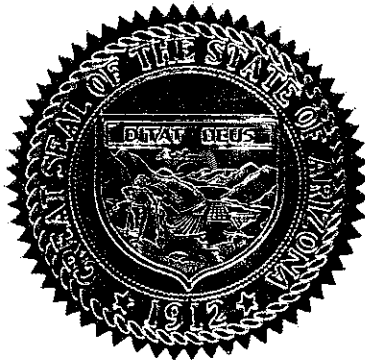
- 3) The Governor shall designate a Chairperson from among the membership.
- 4) The Chairperson shall appoint an Executive Committee to direct the business of the Commission.
- 5) The Chairperson may appoint from the membership or from outside the membership special sub-committees, as the need arises, to complete a special baseball related task.

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- 6) The Commission shall meet at the call of the Chairperson no less than semi-annually. The Director of the Arizona Office of Sports Development shall serve as an ex-officio member of the Commission.
- 7) The Commission shall submit an annual report and status report on continuing projects as deemed necessary to the Governor.

This Executive Order shall become effective immediately

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona



*F. B. Schatz*

GOVERNOR

DONE at the Capitol in Phoenix this tenth day of May in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Four and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundred and Eighteenth.

ATTEST:

*Richard H. Hannon*

Secretary of State